

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. James E. Bame on January 8, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows: In line 13 of claim 1, - - the pulling of - - has been inserted after "down", and "at low speed" has been deleted, and "suport" has been changed to - - support - - .

Claims 1-10 are allowed.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. A seat assembly with a folding backrest and/or seat bottom is shown by each of Miller (878889), Herr (4775187), Barecki et al (3744843), and Frank (6494539).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Milton Nelson, Jr. whose telephone number is (571) 272-6861. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs, and alternate Fridays, 5:30-3:00 EST.

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